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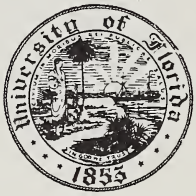

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Biography

Samuel Davis McReynolds was born on a farm near Pikeville, Bledsoe County, Tenn., April 16, 1872; attended the rural schools, People's College at Pikeville, and Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn.; studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1893, and commenced practice at Pikeville; served as assistant district attorney of the sixth judicial circuit of Tennessee in 1894 and 1895; moved to Chattanooga in 1895 and continued the practice of law; appointed judge of the Criminal Court for the Sixth Circuit of Tennessee on April 16, 1903; subsequently elected and twice reelected to the same office, and served until February 1, 1923, when he resigned, having been elected to Congress; elected as a Democrat to the Sixty-eighth and to the eight succeeding Congresses, and served from March 4, 1923, until his death; served as a delegate to the International Monetary and Economic Conference at London, England, in 1933; died in Washington, D. C., July 11, 1939; interment in Forest Hill Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tenn.

In the House of Representatives

MONDAY, *March 25, 1940.*

Mr. BULWINKLE. Mr. Speaker, I have sent to the Clerk's desk the usual resolution providing for memorial services for deceased Members of Congress to be held on Wednesday, April 24, and I ask its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

House Resolution 437

Resolved, That on Wednesday, the 24th day of April 1940, immediately after the approval of the Journal, the House shall stand at recess for the purpose of holding the memorial services as arranged by the Committee on Memorials, under the provisions of clause 40–A of rule XI. The order of exercises and proceedings of the service shall be printed in the Congressional Record, and all Members shall have leave to extend their remarks in the Congressional Record until the last issue of the Record of the third session of the Seventy-sixth Congress, on the life, character, and public service of the deceased Members. At the conclusion of the proceedings the Speaker shall call the House to order, and then, as a further mark of respect to the memories of the deceased, he shall declare the House adjourned.

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The resolution was agreed to.

Memorial Services
in the
House of Representatives

Seventy-sixth Congress
Third Session

Memorial Service Program

Prelude, sacred selections (11:15 to 11:45)
United States Marine Band Orchestra

Presiding Officer_____ The Speaker of the House of Representatives

Invocation_____ The Chaplain, Dr. James Shera Montgomery

Scripture reading and prayer_____ The Chaplain

There Is No Death (Geoffrey O'Hara)_____ Thomas L. Thomas

Roll of deceased Members
The Clerk of the House of Representatives

Devotional silence

The Living God (Geoffrey O'Hara)_____ Bill Perry

Address_____ Hon. Harry P. Beam
Representative from the State of Illinois

Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth (Felix Mendelssohn)_
Bill Perry

Address_____ Hon. Roy O. Woodruff
Representative from the State of Michigan

The Old Rugged Cross (Bennard)_____ Thomas L. Thomas

Taps_____ Winfred Kemp

Benediction_____ The Chaplain

Samuel Davis McReynolds

Memorial Services

WEDNESDAY, *April 24, 1940.*

The SPEAKER pro tempore of the House of Representatives (Mr. Rayburn) presided.

The Chaplain, Dr. Montgomery:

Almighty God unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy name—Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The eternal God is Thy refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life; He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live and whosoever believeth in Me shall never die.

The righteous live forever and the care of them is with the Most High: With His right hand shall He cover them and with His arm shall He shield them.

For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations, before the mountains were brought forth or ever Thou hast formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting Thou art God. For a thousand years in Thy

sight are as yesterday when they are past, and as a watch in the night. Thou carriest them away as with a flood; They are as a sleep; In the morning they are like grass which groweth up; In the evening it is cut down and withereth. So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. Let Thy work appear unto Thy servants, and Thy glory unto their children. And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us and establish the works of our hands upon us; Yea, the works of our hands establish Thou it.

Let not your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you, for I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto Myself, that where I am there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know. Thomas saith unto Him, Lord, we know not whither Thou goest; and how can we know the way. Jesus saith unto him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Serene, I fold my hands and wait,
Nor care for wind, or tide, or sea.
I rave no more 'gainst time or fate,
For, lo! my own shall come to me.

I stay my haste, I make delays,
For what avails this eager pace?
I stand amid the eternal ways
And what is mine shall know my face.

Asleep, awake, by night or day,
The friends I seek are seeking me;
No wind can drive my bark astray,
Nor change the tide of destiny.

What matter if I stand alone?
I wait with joy the future years.
My heart shall reap where it hath sown,
And garner up its fruit of tears.

The stars come nightly to the sky,
The tidal wave unto the sea;
Nor time, nor space, nor deep, nor high,
Can keep my own away from me.

Oh, Thou in whose presence our souls take delight, on whom in affliction we call, Thou wert our fathers' God. In the darkness Thou gavest them light, in danger, succor, and in uncertainty, guidance. The light of Thy word was their inspiration, "Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed, for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." O let us hear the carol in the clouds, view the rock amid the waves, and see the star in the valley. Lead us, oh, Christ, in the toilsome way of Gethsemane and Calvary, and in all our needs give us strength and grace. Bless Thou the memory of those who have wrought well and passed on. Unto all hearts that are bowed down today, minister unto them the comfort and the consolations of Thy richest blessings.

We are reminded, dear Lord, that our days are swiftly passing by. Yesterday we were not, tomorrow we shall be gone. O how changing are the fortunes of life—laughter and tears, melody and lamentation. Mid the fleeing shadows, O may the good angels sing the song of hope in every breast. In our dear Redeemer's name. Amen.

Mr. Thomas L. Thomas sang "There Is No Death," by Geoffrey O'Hara.

ROLL OF DECEASED MEMBERS

Mr. Roger M. Calloway, reading clerk of the House, read the following roll:

MARVEL MILLS LOGAN, a Senator from the State of Kentucky: Lawyer; educator; county attorney, Edmonson County, 1902–03; Attorney General of Kentucky, 1916–17; Judge, Kentucky Court of Appeals, 1926–31; Chief Justice, 1931; chairman Democratic State Convention, 1916; elected to the United States Senate in 1930, and again in 1936. Died October 3, 1939.

WILLIAM EDGAR BORAH, a Senator from the State of Idaho: Lawyer; distinguished orator; member of the Republican National Committee, 1908–12; delegate, Republican National Convention, 1912; elected to the United States Senate in 1907, and served 32 years and 10 months; was chairman of the Senate Committees on Foreign Relations, and Education and Labor; dean of the Senate from 1933 until the day of his death, January 19, 1940.

BERT LORD, Thirty-fourth Congressional District of New York: Merchant; member New York Assembly, 1915–22, 1924–29; motor vehicle commissioner for the State of New York, 1921–23; State Senator, 1929–35; Member of the Seventy-fourth, Seventy-fifth, and Seventy-sixth Congresses. Died May 24, 1939.

EMMETT MARSHALL OWEN, Fourth Congressional District of Georgia: Lawyer; member, Georgia Legislature, 1902–06; solicitor, City Court of Zebulon, 1908–12; Solicitor General, Flint Judicial Circuit, 1913–23; Solicitor General, Griffin Judicial Circuit, 1923–33; Member of the Seventy-third and each succeeding Congress. Died June 21, 1939.

HARRY WILBUR GRISWOLD, Third Congressional District of Wisconsin: Farmer; educator; member, State Board of Vocational Education, 1930–36; served in the State Senate from 1932 to 1936; Member of the Seventy-sixth Congress. Died July 4, 1939.

SAMUEL DAVIS MCREYNOLDS, Third Congressional District of Tennessee: Lawyer; Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit of the State of Tennessee, 1903–22; Member of the Sixty-eighth and each succeeding Congress; American delegate to the International Monetary and Economic Conference, in London, 1933; chairman, Committee on Foreign Affairs. Died July 11, 1939.

THOMAS MARION EATON, Eighteenth Congressional District of California: Businessman; educator; served in the United States Navy during the World War; member, City Council, Long Beach, Calif., 1934–36; mayor of Long Beach, 1936–38; Member of the Seventy-sixth Congress. Died September 16, 1939.

THOMAS SANDERS MCMILLAN, First Congressional District of South Carolina: Farmer; educator; member, South Carolina House of Representatives, 1916–24; speaker, 1923–24; Member of the Sixty-ninth and each succeeding Congress; member of the Committee on Appropriations. Died September 29, 1939.

CHESTER CASTLE BOLTON, Twenty-second Congressional District of Ohio: Businessman; captain, United States Army Reserve Corps, serving successively with the War Industries Board, aide to the Assistant Secretary of War, and on the General Staff of the War Department; lieutenant colonel, Assistant Chief of Staff of the One Hundred and First Division; member of the Ohio Senate, 1923–28; Member of the Seventy-first and each succeeding Congress. Died October 29, 1939.

JAMES WILLIS TAYLOR, Second Congressional District of Tennessee: Lawyer; postmaster, La Follette, Tenn., 1904–09; mayor of La Follette, 1910–13; insurance commissioner, State of Tennessee, 1913–14; chairman, Republican State Executive Committee, 1917–18; Member of the Sixty-sixth and each succeeding Congress; ranking

minority member of the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization. Died November 14, 1939.

CARL EDGAR MAPES, Fifth Congressional District of Michigan: Lawyer; member, Michigan House of Representatives, 1905–07; member, State Senate, 1909–13; elected to the Sixty-third and each succeeding Congress; ranking minority member of the Committees on Rules and on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Died December 12, 1939.

WILLIAM IRVING SIROVICH, Fourteenth Congressional District of New York: Physician and surgeon; fellow, American College of Surgeons, 1924; awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, Columbia University Alumni Association, 1932; Member of the Seventieth and each succeeding Congress; chairman of the Committee on Patents. Died December 17, 1939.

JOHN ANDREW MARTIN, Third Congressional District of Colorado: Lawyer, editor; soldier; member, Colorado Assembly, 1901–02; Pueblo city attorney, 1905–07; Member of the Sixty-first and Sixty-second Congresses, retiring voluntarily; during the World War served as a major, Fortieth Division; Member of the Seventy-third and each succeeding Congress. Died December 23, 1939.

WILLIAM ALBERT ASHBROOK, Seventeenth Congressional District of Ohio: Editor; banker; farmer; publisher of the Johnstown Independent since 1885; postmaster, Johnstown, 1893–97; member, Ohio House of Representatives, 1904–05; Member of the Sixtieth through the Sixty-sixth Congresses, also the Seventy-fourth and each succeeding Congress. Died January 1, 1940.

GEORGE HENRY HEINKE, First Congressional District of Nebraska: Lawyer; graduate, University of Nebraska, 1908; county attorney, Otoe County, 1919–23, 1927–35; Member of the Seventy-sixth Congress; served on the Committees on Election of the President, Vice President, and Representatives in Congress; Labor; and the Territories. Died January 2, 1940.

WALLACE EDGAR PIERCE, Thirty-first Congressional District of New York: Lawyer; member, New York Bar Association; member, New York Assembly, 1917–19; chairman, Clinton County Republican Committee; member, New York State Republican Committee; elected to the Seventy-sixth Congress; served on the Committee on the Judiciary. Died January 3, 1940.

EDWARD WALTER CURLEY, Twenty-second Congressional District of New York: Builder and contractor; member of the Board of Aldermen, New York City, 1916–35; chairman or ranking member

of all major committees of the board; elected to the Seventy-fourth and each succeeding Congress; member of the Committees on Labor, Civil Service, Election of the President, Vice President, and Representatives in Congress; and Invalid Pensions. Died January 6, 1940.

CASSIUS CLAY DOWELL, Sixth Congressional District of Iowa: Lawyer; member, Iowa House of Representatives, 1894–98; member, State senate, 1902–12; Member of the Sixty-fourth through the Seventy-third, Seventy-fifth and Seventy-sixth Congresses; ranking minority member of the Committee on the Territories. Died February 4, 1940.

CLYDE HAROLD SMITH, Second Congressional District of Maine: Educator; member, State house of representatives, 1899–1903, 1919–23; State senator, 1923–29; chairman, State Highway Commission, 1928–32; member, Governor's Council, Fourth District, 1933–37; elected to the Seventy-fifth and the Seventy-sixth Congresses. Died April 8, 1940.

SANTIAGO IGLESIAS, a Resident Commissioner from the Territory of Puerto Rico: Labor organizer; editor; founder of the Free Federation of Workingmen in Puerto Rico, 1898; member, Puerto Rican senate, 1917–32; edited the Porvenir Social, 1898–1900, Union Obera, 1903–06 and Justicia, 1914–25; Resident Commissioner from 1932 until his death December 5, 1939.

Mrs. NORTON, a Representative from the State of New Jersey, standing in front of the Speaker's rostrum, placed a memorial rose in a vase as the name of each deceased Member was read by the Clerk.

Then followed 1 minute of devotional silence.

Mr. Bill Perry sang "The Living God," by Geoffrey O'Hara.

Hon. HARRY P. BEAM, a Representative from the State of Illinois, delivered the following address:

ADDRESS BY HON. HARRY P. BEAM

Mr. BEAM. Mr. Speaker, today we assemble in solemn conclave to pay honor and tribute to our dead. No question of state or parliamentary controversy can disturb the tranquillity of the occasion as we recall with fond and happy recollection the close and intimate association we enjoyed

in the crucible of public service with our departed colleagues, who now rest forever in the calm and peaceful bosom of eternity.

Of all the events in life, death, with its mysterious realism, is the most startling and dramatic. No one can stand in its awful presence and not be moved to a deeper and more abiding solicitude for the rights of our fellow man; nor can one encounter its grim realities without becoming more tolerant, more sympathetic, more understanding of the frailties of human nature and without a deeper conscientious realization of our own imperfection and mortality.

How fleeting is time and how transitory and temporal is the applause of the people or the honors and dignities conferred upon man in the short span of human life. And what a stern realization of that fact have we before us today, as we listen in vain for voices we knew so well to respond to the roll call who but a short yesterday were active participators in the deliberations of our body and wielded vast and far-reaching influence in the formation of the legislative program of the Nation.

> Away. We know that tears are vain,
> That Death nor heeds nor hears distress:
> Will this unteach us to complain?
> Or make one mourner weep the less?
> And thou, who tellst me to forget,
> Thy looks are wan, thine eyes are wet.

Our colleagues whose untimely passing we commemorate today were privileged to serve their country during some of the most crucial and fateful years in the history of the Republic.

During their official service as Members of the Congress of the United States they viewed with alarm and deep concern the grave uncertainty and distress which engulfed the citizenship of our land. During those early days of the depression they observed their fellow citizens in mass formation storm the very doors of the Nation's Capitol, demanding food

and shelter for themselves and for their families. They witnessed the bankruptcy of agriculture, the prostration of business, the failure of thousands of banking institutions throughout the land, the foreclosure of countless homes and farms, the sorry and desperate plight of the wage earner and the farmer, and the prevailing fear and trepidation which seemed to strike at the very heart and sinews of our American national life.

Our departed colleagues, with undismayed courage and a high conception of American statesmanship faced their grave responsibility and contributed generously and unreservedly of their sagacious counsel, and their profound knowledge and wisdom, in devising ways and means to remedy these oppressing conditions and to relieve the circumstances which were well-nigh overwhelming the moral courage and grim fortitude of our people.

They were active participators in the great emergency program to revive agriculture, to furnish governmental aid, and financial assistance to business and industry, and to restore confidence and security in our banking system. They actively assisted in the enactment of laws to alleviate the suffering of our citizens and were contributors to all social legislation for the welfare of the poor and underprivileged of our land.

Our departed colleagues were privileged to serve in the Congress of the United States during the rise of the dictators and witnessed the tremendous growth of the nefarious doctrines of communism and nazi-ism, and saw them become the dominant policy and religion, so to speak, of countless numbers of heretofore God-fearing men and women of great nations of the world.

They observed in their lifetime the war clouds again hover over the nations of Europe, threatening to engulf the entire world once more in conflagration. They witnessed the march of the highly mechanized and modernized armies of the dictators against countries ill-equipped for war, and by fire and sword saw them conquer and destroy nations, subject their

citizens to a lifetime of sorrow and misery, and bury forever the last vestige of hope for liberty and freedom for untold millions of human beings.

Robert Ingersoll, appearing before the tomb of Napoleon, expressed himself in the following words:

I would rather have been a French peasant and worn wooden shoes. I would rather have lived in a hut with a vine growing over the door, and the grapes growing purple in the amorous kisses of the autumn sun. I would rather have been that poor peasant, with my loving wife by my side, knitting as the day died out of the sky, with my children upon my knees and their arms about me. I would rather have been that man, and gone down to the tongueless silence of the dreamless dust, than to have been that imperial impersonation of force and murder, known as Napoleon the Great.

I pause and wonder, my fellow colleagues, when at some time in the future, when these dictators who have caused the pangs of war to again cloud the happiness and peace of the world are summoned to embark on that fateful voyage, from which no traveler returneth, what complacency of thought, what peace of mind and heart can be theirs. When the very shrouds which enwrap their cold and lifeless clay shall be drenched with the blood and tears of countless numbers of human beings, decreed by them to a vale of misery, suffering, famine, pestilence, and death.

The garlands wither on your brow;
  Then boast no more your mighty deeds;
Upon death's purple altar now
  See where the victor—victim bleeds;
Your heads must come
To the cold tomb;
Only the actions of the just
Smell sweet, and blossom in their dust.

What a sad commentary of fate that in this age of enlightenment, of intellectual development, of cultural advancement, and of great scientific discoveries—all for the happiness and betterment of mankind—that the people of the world should again be plunged into the horrors and terrors of war, with all the resulting suffering and misery therein entailed.

From the sad plight and appalling despair of these unfortunate nations, let us resolve that, from the hallowed ashes of our departed colleagues, never again shall we vote to plunge America into a foreign holocaust of war, or ever again consecrate any foreign soil with the lifeblood of our American youth, to save or preserve the integrity of any foreign monarchy, dynasty, or power.

America will fight only for America, and to keep inviolate our priceless heritage of liberty and freedom, and the preservation of our democratic form of government.

These were the ideals, my fellow citizens, our departed colleagues cherished and sustained in their lifetime, and for the love of which they nobly laid down their lives. As distinguished Members of Congress, they served their country loyally and well, and carved their names high in the annals of American statesmanship. They enjoyed the love and affection of their fellow citizens, and the respect and esteem of their fellow Members of Congress. They have left to their loved ones, and to the Nation, a noble heritage of honor and glory upon the altar of public service.

This is the last time the names of our departed colleagues will ever be officially called from the floor of the Congress of the United States. No more shall we disturb the tranquillity of their slumber; no more shall we derange the peace and calm of their repose; but, with the hallowed love and enduring affection of the Congress of the United States, and the entire Nation, we reconsecrate their tombs with the fervent hopes and prayers of all America that from their noble and revered spirits we may rededicate our efforts to keep aglow the torch of liberty and freedom they so valiantly and patriotically carried in the service of their country, and which they now pass on to us, unsullied and undefiled.

Their love of country, their ardor and devotion to their Nation's welfare, their nobility of character have forever enshrined their memory in a diadem of perpetual light, which will glow, with ever-increasing splendor, in the hearts of their fellow countrymen, long after monuments of granite and

stone have crumbled into dust and decay; and so, with all our heartfelt affection, compassion, and reverence, we fondly say, "Farewell, our beloved colleagues; farewell forever":

Our hearts, our hopes, are all with thee,
Our hearts, our hopes, our prayers, our tears,
Our faith triumphant o'er our fears,
Are all with thee,—are all with thee!

Mr. Bill Perry sang "Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth" (Felix Mendelssohn).

Hon. ROY O. WOODRUFF, a Representative from the State of Michigan, delivered the following address:

ADDRESS BY HON. ROY O. WOODRUFF, OF MICHIGAN

Mr. WOODRUFF of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, again there has come that day which we dedicate to our colleagues who have crossed over to that mystic realm from which no traveler returns.

Our hearts, of course, are full of thoughts which cannot be expressed in words, and of feelings which we do not even wish to voice here.

The passing of a colleague brings to each and every one of us not only grief at the severing of associations but a somber pondering on the meaning of this enigma of human existence. The mortal sense of life would make of man little more than the grass of the fields, flourishing for a brief season, and then withering away. Compared to eternity the human span is but a twinkling. We are apt to forget that billions of individuals have come and gone; millions who are now living will, in no great stretch of time, join the silent majority.

One may well wonder sometimes whether we take ourselves too seriously on this tiny grain of sand whirling through space in the company of millions of other planets, making up the galaxies of the universe. When we stop to realize by what a narrow margin we cling to that which we call life, we wonder not that some of our colleagues have gone from us, but that more have not gone.

And yet, Mr. Speaker, there is more to life than death. It is inconceivable in logic that those who have toiled here with us, that those who gave of their best to the cause of government, that those who lived and studied and worked and planned for the welfare of their country, their fellow men, and their more immediate loved ones should cease to be when the shadow of death descended over them.

There is no possible human logic to justify any conclusion that death ends the activity of those we have known and loved. An all-powerful, all-wise, all-loving ever-present Creative Intelligence would fulfill no purpose in creating human identities to be born to work, and strive, and laugh, and cry for a brief, fevered instant on this earth, only to pass out and to return to a state of nonbeing. That would be like a child building up a mound of sand but to sweep it away the next instant.

Every tenet of religious faith, every tenet of philosophy, every tenet of logic, every tenet of human hope bids us to be of good cheer because our colleagues, having passed beyond our ken, are not forever blotted out but live on and work on.

None can explain the mystery of death. We can hope. None can reason how or why our colleagues should have been called, except that that is the way of the flesh. But there is vast consolation, Mr. Speaker, in the hope and the faith that our colleagues, somewhere, in some happier realm, labor on, rising ever upward in their striving to attain truth.

So, instead of grieving, I think we can find it in our hearts today to be grateful to infinite love that we were permitted to know our colleagues, to be associated with them, to work with them, and to cherish their memories as we hope those left behind when we go will cherish memories of us.

That great philosopher, that kindly gentleman, that able Justice of the Supreme Court, the late Oliver Wendell Holmes, once put into words the hope and the faith that I would voice to you here today. Said he:

I was walking homeward on Pennsylvania Avenue near the Treasury, and as I looked beyond Sherman's statue to the west the

sky was aflame with scarlet and crimson from the setting sun. But, like the note of downfall in Wagner's opera, below the skyline there came from little globes the pallid discord of electric lights, and I thought to myself the Gotterdammerung will end, and from those globes clustered like evil eggs will come the new masters of the sky. It is like the time in which we live. But, then, I remembered the faith that I partly have expressed, faith in a universe not measured by our fears, a universe that has thought, and more than thought, inside of it, and as I gazed, after the sunset, and above the electric lights, there shone the stars.

And something else that great jurist said I want to repeat to you. It was this:

I think it not improbable that man, like the grub that prepares a chamber for the winged thing it has never seen but is to be—that man may have cosmic destinies that he does not understand. And so beyond the vision of battling races and an impoverished earth I catch a dreaming glimpse of peace.

Who is to say that out of the depth of his wisdom, gained from his lifelong study of profound truths, Oliver Wendell Holmes may not have been right—that man may have cosmic destinies he does not understand. And so beyond the vision of battling races and an impoverished earth we may catch a dreaming glimpse of peace.

It is this beautiful star of human hope, shining above the pallid glare of earth's electric lights, in the blue sky of a universe in which there is thought, and more than thought, that carries us through the storms and the stresses and the sorrows and the sicknesses, and enables us to bear the thought of the parting at death.

It seems to be, Mr. Speaker, the common fate of kings and beggars, of just and unjust, of saint and sinner, that each of us shall sometime embark upon that journey from earth to the far yonder shores of an unknown eternity.

If we believe that death is the end of those personalities whom we have known and loved as our colleagues, then, indeed, is death a truly dreadful event. If, however, we are to believe that those who have preceded us on that mystical journey, clinging to the hand of the Saviour, consciously

trusting in the infinite love of the Creator, are going on to other tasks—higher tasks, mayhap—then death is not the end, but the beginning of life.

So, then, as our hearts today are sad, as our thoughts are somber, as we find in our breasts an aching longing for the touch of hands that have vanished and the sound of voices now stilled, it is rather because of our own loneliness that we grieve, the loss of championship and association that we miss, than for any fear or any belief that our departed and beloved colleagues have been blotted out, or condemned to some oblivion.

Why, Mr. Speaker, what would be the purpose of life, what would be the use of this human struggle, what would be the use of our efforts, what purpose would we serve by our tears or our smiles, if the grave were the end of it all? Ah, no, life is eternal. We must progress onward and upward until we become more aware of that image and likeness in which we are created.

And, so, Mr. Speaker, let us be firm in the hope; let us find comfort in the thought, that our dear departed colleagues have moved further along toward their cosmic destinies which they may not understand, and, as Holmes so beautifully said, beyond the vision of battling races and an impoverished earth, that they have realized that peace of which we here may catch but a dreaming glimpse.

Mr. Thomas L. Thomas sang "The Old Rugged Cross," by Bennard.

Mr. Winfred Kemp, principal musician, United States Marine Band Orchestra, sounded taps.

The Chaplain, Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., pronounced the benediction:

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace, both now and evermore. Amen.

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on
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Remarks by Representative Kefauver

Of Tennessee

Mr. KEFAUVER. Mr. Speaker, I should certainly be derelict in a sacred duty if I completed my first session in the Halls of Congress without paying tribute to my distinguished predecessor, the late lamented Judge SAM D. MCREYNOLDS. The post I occupy is hallowed with the memory of the services he rendered to his State and his Nation. I bring to this assembly, not only my personal lament, but the voice of the entire Third District of Tennessee, united in its sorrow for the passing of the man whom they loved and honored.

Judge MCREYNOLDS for 20 years graced and distinguished the bench as judge of the sixth judicial circuit in the Volunteer State. His personality softened the accuracy and correctness of his decisions, his mien dignified the court, and his brilliant mind left deep its impress on the jurisprudence of the State.

When elected to the National Congress in 1922, he brought to his seat the mellowness and maturity of a life most men would then have been willing to acclaim as a fulfilled and successful career. A larger and more useful public service was in its incipiency. Seventeen consecutive years the citizens of the Third District were privileged to be represented in Washington by this man who so consecrated his personal life to a sacred public trust.

In 1932 his elevation to the chairmanship of the Committee on Foreign Affairs marked the beginning of the final glorious chapter of a man whose life had been dedicated to the public

weal. As chairman of this important committee during a period of international unrest, his service transcended the local bounds of a congressional district and his stature assumed national importance. His leadership stamped him forever with the imprint of statesmanship. When Judge SAM D. MCREYNOLDS was called home to his well-earned rest and reward, this earnest east Tennessee patriot's passing was mourned by a sorrowing nation. The United States had truly suffered a loss. Yet, for all of his glorious public service, the most compelling memories of Judge MCREYNOLDS are associated with his private life, which, as so many of his colleagues have said, was most exemplary. He was truly a kind husband, an indulgent father, and a warm and consistent friend. Add to this his ability as a lawyer, his service as a judge, and his accomplishment as a statesman, and the dimensions are those of a man who has been truly destined to receive the blessings of history.

Remarks by Representative Chandler

Of Tennessee

Mr. CHANDLER. Mr. Speaker, under leave to extend my remarks in the Record, I include the following resolution adopted by the Tennessee delegation in the House of Representatives on the passing of our colleague Hon. SAM D. McREYNOLDS:

RESOLUTION OF THE TENNESSEE DELEGATION IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DEATH OF HON. SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, OF TENNESSEE

The passing of Hon. SAM DAVIS McREYNOLDS, Representative from the Third Congressional District of Tennessee, has brought deep sadness to his colleagues in the House of Representatives and has deprived the members of the Tennessee delegation of a true friend, wise counselor, and distinguished leader.

Born in the beautiful Sequatchie Valley in Tennessee 67 years ago, and reared in the very district which he represented in Congress for 16 years, SAM McREYNOLDS was exceptionally qualified by character and ability for public office. He understood the people of his district, a composite one, rich in natural resources and industrial and cultural development and containing within its boundaries people of the mountains and mines, rivers and forests, hamlets and cities.

On the circuit bench for 20 years, Judge McREYNOLDS had been the arbiter of the legal differences of his constituents, and as their friend and neighbor he had shared their hopes, their adversities, and their loyalties. He knew their needs, he understood their problems, he served them with unswerving devotion, and they appreciated him.

Representative McREYNOLDS brought to the House of Representatives a vigorous mind and body, an engaging personality, and an abundance of common sense. As the great obligations of leadership pressed upon him, he met them assiduously and skillfully. He became an effective debater and an excellent parliamentarian. Well informed on international law, a lover of peace, yet unafraid, he was a splendid chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

His colleagues liked him, and when they needed him he never failed them.

Personally, SAM MCREYNOLDS was a man of strong convictions, unaffected, humbly religious, and honest. Sorrowfully, we take our leave of him, ever grateful for the privilege of his friendship and thankful for the lessons of his useful life: Therefore be it

Resolved by the members of the Tennessee delegation in the House of Representatives, Seventy-sixth Congress, That we record this our tribute of esteem and affection for our departed friend and colleague; that this resolution be placed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD; and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

J. WILL TAYLOR.
CARROLL REECE.
ALBERT GORE.
JOSEPH W. BYRNS, Jr.
WIRT COURTNEY.
HERRON PEARSON.
JERE COOPER.
WALTER CHANDLER.

Remarks by Representative Courtney

Of Tennessee

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, as the newest Member of the House save one, it would not be fitting for me to appraise and speak of the work of Judge McREYNOLDS in this body. From what I have learned, however, since my recent coming, and what I have heard today from the lips of Members old in point of service who worked with him through the years, I have no doubt that his achievements in this body and in the great Foreign Affairs Committee that he headed will be a monument to his memory, eternal and everlasting.

I love to think of him as when I first knew him in the prime of life as a circuit judge in our State, a circuit in which I was privileged to appear as a lawyer at times. As has been said by the gentleman from Wisconsin, there never was a fairer judge and there never was a judge more just. His court was always a model of dignity and decorum, but he found time to be patient and lenient with the younger and untried lawyers who appeared before him. His record of affirmations in our appellate courts was brilliant. In his score of years of service in that capacity his learning and personality left a marked stamp upon the legal history and the jurisprudence of our great State.

Judge McREYNOLDS succeeded in every relation of life. As a husband he was tender and devoted; as a father, loving and indulgent; as a friend, fine and firm. He was an able lawyer, an outstanding judge, a statesman tall in statue. But above and beyond it all he was simple, kindly, and understanding—a God-fearing, Christian man.

We who mourn his loss today may comfort ourselves in this paraphrase of a modern poetic thought:

> Somewhere tonight among the hills of heaven
> He'll walk with all God's stars around him;
> And we who lost him here on earth
> Grow happy knowing God has found him.

Remarks by Representative Plumley

Of Vermont

Mr. PLUMLEY. Mr. Speaker, I realize full well that I can add nothing to the deserved tributes which have been so eloquently paid to my friend SAMUEL D. MCREYNOLDS.

My inclination at this time is to say nothing, for words fail me when I undertake to measure with them the grief I feel at his passing. I fear, however, he might not understand why his old friend did not say something, for our friendship was intimate and close, and of long standing. Those of you who did not know him must appreciate from what has been said, and truly, that it was both a privilege and an honor to have been permitted to enjoy the confidence and friendship of such a man.

With no fulsomeness, I can say that no man I ever knew was more justly entitled to or so sure of hearing the plaudit:

> Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make the ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

Hail and farewell, my friend, we shall not forget you. We shall lay your mortal remains at the foot of the mountains you loved, and from whence you came, and in the soil of which you were an integrant part; for you belong within those borders bounded by mountain-high horizons. You were typical of the mountains and the hills and the valleys of Tennessee, and you shall sleep among them; and "at home." And I know, my friend, that somewhere, sometime, we shall meet again—

> When the blue hills grow tender, when they pull
> The twilight close with gesture beautiful,
> And shadows are their garments, and the air
> Deepens, and the wild veery is at prayer
> * * * I know
> That somehow, sometime, I shall follow
> to the still land beyond the evening star,
> where everlasting hills and valleys are,
> And silence may not hurt us any more,
> And terror shall be past, and grief, and war!

Remarks by Representative Richards

Of South Carolina

Mr. RICHARDS. Mr. Speaker, when God in His wisdom called from among us SAMUEL D. McREYNOLDS, one of His own noblemen, I felt a deep sense of personal loss. He was able, straightforward, and clean and will be sadly missed by his Nation, his district, and his colleagues here who in service with him had found him to be one of the outstanding Members of the House. As chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House he endeared himself to both Republican and Democratic members of that committee. He came to the chairmanship of that important committee to find a world around him girding for war, with grave danger of his own beloved country becoming involved; and he steered through this House legislation of momentous importance, legislation which did much to prevent our involvement in foreign disputes. His wholehearted loyalty to his country, his President, and to his party taught us all a lesson in constancy and fidelity. Though walking with kings, he never lost the common touch and never ceased to remember his obligations to the humblest man or woman in his district.

Born on a farm near Pikesville, Tenn., he attended the rural schools of Tennessee and was educated at Cumberland University. He was a successful lawyer and served with distinction for many years as judge of the sixth circuit of Tennessee. When he came to Congress it was expected even then that he would make a valuable Member here, and he fulfilled the fond expectations of his friends. The State of Tennessee, which has given so many rugged, outstanding men to our country, has added another name to the scroll in its hall of fame.

Judge, as we knew him, was always willing and ready to help a new Member of Congress. I shall never forget his

kindness to me when I first came here, and then when I became a member of his committee in 1934, I began more and more to lean on his sound advice and wisdom. Almost daily contact with him only increased my admiration for the sterling qualities of mind and heart that made him such an outstanding man. He was a fighter first and always, once he enlisted in any cause, but he never enlisted until he was satisfied of the justice of that cause. Withal, he had the heart and tenderness of a child, and on more than one occasion I have seen him touched by little things that the ordinary man would have passed by unnoticed. His love for his wife, his daughter, and grandchildren was of the mold that makes true family life America's greatest institution; and this devotion was returned by his loved ones. I never saw him happier, I think, than during his last illness when he watched the ministrations of his devoted and unselfish wife.

It was my sad privilege last year to follow his remains to Chattanooga, Tenn., and to look upon the saddened faces of the thousands gathered there to mourn. I saw his remains laid to rest in the shadows of the eternal hills he loved so well, and there came to my mind words of the poet—

> A prince once said of a king struck down:
> "Taller he seems in death."
> And the word holds good for now, as then,
> It is after death that we measure men.

Remarks by Representative Johns

Of Wisconsin

Mr. JOHNS. Mr. Speaker, my remarks today will be directed to SAM D. MCREYNOLDS as a judge, and not as a Congressman, because it was as a judge on the bench that I knew him best.

My renewal of friendship in this House was limited, because of his almost continued illness after my arrival here. However, from close friends I have learned that no man ever occupied a seat in this body who left behind him sweeter or more fragrant memories.

Fortunate are those who knew him during his 17 years of service in this House. Judge MCREYNOLDS lived in an advanced age. Historians now do not accord the laurel to those who have built up their reputations on violence, ambition, and injustice. The measure of man's greatness today is given to those who have founded their careers on kindliness, generosity, and justice. Such a man was Judge MCREYNOLDS. He came to the bench of Tennessee at the young age of 31 years. He served the State of Tennessee on the bench for 20 years before he was elected to this body. He had only been on the bench 4 years when I was admitted to the State bar of Tennessee, and practiced law before him as a young lawyer. No young lawyer ever had a more loyal and sympathetic friend than Judge MCREYNOLDS. His love for, and sense of, justice made him an outstanding jurist.

We are not surprised that he was honored, as few men have been honored in this life by his fellow men.

It is such men as was Judge MCREYNOLDS, who put most into life, and real success should ever be determined by what we put into life rather than by what we take out of it.

May his example of friendship, loyalty, and fidelity to service remain in our memories so long as this Republic shall exist.

Remarks by Representative Cochran

Of Missouri

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. Speaker, we who knew him and loved him realized the stearling qualities of SAMUEL D. MCREYNOLDS. His passing came at a time this country could ill afford to lose the services of such an outstanding legislator. Chairman of the great Committee on Foreign Affairs, he was stricken when his services and experience were most needed. I cannot help but feel his end was hastened because of his inability to discharge the great responsibilities of the office he held, especially the duty that would have been his had he been able to pilot the amendments to the Neutrality Act through the House.

After serving his State for nearly 20 years on the bench, he came to the Congress practically a young man. He not only had the temperament but the ability that warranted his appointment to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, of which he later became chairman.

Many years ago I served as secretary of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate. It was during the World War. As a result of that service I know the great questions that come before a chairman of a committee that handles legislation affecting our foreign relations. The manner in which Judge MCREYNOLDS carried out his assignment not only reflected credit upon him but also upon those who selected him for the position. It was a privilege for me to have been able to call Judge MCREYNOLDS my friend.

Remarks by Representative Thomason

Of Texas

Mr. THOMASON. Mr. Speaker, in paying lowly tribute to the memory of SAM D. MCREYNOLDS I do so in sorrow for the loss of an intimate and valued friend, as well as in the realization that there has gone forever from this Hall one of the noblest characters that ever graced it, one of the ablest Members of this body and one of the most sincerely beloved.

It was my good fortune to know him from the day I came to Congress until his death, in the prime of life and the fullness of his career. Our families became close friends, and I was associated with him in his hours of relaxation and in his day's work. In all relationships I found him to be a man of uncompromising integrity, ample vision, sympathetic understanding, and profound judgment.

As chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs he occupied one of the most important posts in the House of Representatives, and to his sound wisdom and conscientious devotion to the highest interests of his country is largely due the neutrality legislation that is one of the great legislative achievements of this generation.

The example he has left of adherence to the highest principles of living will serve as inspiration to us he has left behind to lead lives of more noble purpose.

May I close with a few lines of Swinburne:

> Content thee, howsoe'er, whose days are done;
> There lies not any troublous thing before,
> Nor sight, nor sound, to war against thee more,
> For whom all winds are quiet as the sun,
> All waters as the shore.

Remarks by Representative Doughton

Of North Carolina

Mr. DOUGHTON. Mr. Speaker, during my almost 30 years of service in this House, many of its Members have been taken by death, but no event has moved me to more profound grief and sorrow than the passing of Judge SAM MCREYNOLDS. Since his election to Congress as a Representative from Tennessee in 1923 it has been my great privilege to be associated with him intimately not only as a colleague but as a friend.

Richly endowed by nature with every quality which humanity admires, SAM MCREYNOLDS was particularly well fitted by ability, background, and training for the successful performance of the duties which fell to him. No man in this body, since I have been a Member of it, commanded greater respect, admiration, and affection of his colleagues. His wisdom, his honesty, his industry, his calm judgment, and his earnest love and devotion to the welfare of this Nation marked him as outstanding in any company.

It was a gracious act of Divine Providence that in one of the most trying periods of the world's history we could have the benefit of his calm counsel and able guidance as chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. In the discharge of his duties on this important committee, as in every other undertaking, Judge MCREYNOLDS exerted zealously and conscientiously the great all-around qualifications of mind and heart which he so abundantly possessed.

We have lost an outstanding colleague, an able, faithful, and industrious representative of his people, a true American, and a patriot. We have also lost a warm and devoted friend.

We can best revere his memory and demonstrate our devotion by consecrating ourselves anew to the principles and ideals he so valiantly advocated. May we prove ourselves worthy of his friendship and of his illustrious example.

Remarks by Representative Johnson

Of Texas

Mr. LUTHER A. JOHNSON. Mr. Speaker, when the House convened on July 11, 1939, and it became known that in the early morning of that day the Honorable SAM D. MCREYNOLDS had passed away, our entire membership was touched with sorrow, and the transaction of all business for the day was immediately dispensed with.

Before the motion to adjourn out of respect to his memory was passed a score or more of his colleagues paid tribute to his memory. Their remarks were all extemporaneous, but they breathed the honor, esteem, and affection in which he was held, and no more deep and genuine sorrow was ever voiced in behalf of any departed Member.

There was a reason for this spontaneous outburst of sorrow. One of the most popular, one of the most useful, and one of the most beloved Members had left us. One who for more than 16 years had labored, given of himself, his time, his talent, and his very life in serving his country in this great lawmaking body; and during that time, by his courage, his character, his indefatigable energy, and his intense love of humanity had won the affection and esteem of the entire membership upon both sides of the aisle.

It was my privilege to know him intimately and well. We became Members of this House at the same time, and we had been closely associated during our continuous service here. No one in the House or elsewhere knew him better or loved him more than I. Most of us can count on the fingers of one hand our intimate and most devoted friends, and SAM D. MCREYNOLDS was among that small and select group of mine.

If I should be called upon to mention his one outstanding trait, I would say that it was his loyalty to his friends and his fidelity to duty, which was second only to his love and devotion to his faithful wife, his only daughter, and his two little grandchildren, all of whom he idolized.

I saw him grow and his influence widen from a rookie Congressman to one of the real leaders of this House. It did not come suddenly. He was content to toil, to start at the bottom, first serving on minor committees, but to do each task assigned him well. He was not a headline seeker. He cared not for publicity or the sensational, but the consciousness of duty well performed was the reward he most coveted and desired. He was genuine. He despised hypocrisy and sham, and could not countenance it in others.

He was a man of profound and deep conviction, intense in his thoughts and language, and when once his judgment was deliberately formed he fought unswervingly to the end for what he conceived to be right. He was courageous and fear was not a part of his physical or mental make-up. He was candid, and at times almost brutally frank, but he never deceived anyone, and when he made you a promise you knew it would be religiously kept. He was as ruggedly honest as the mountains of east Tennessee, which he loved and among which he lived during his entire life. He was fair. His 20 years' service as a judge on the bench developed his judicial qualities of mind and heart, and he had a very high sense of justice. He was endowed with an abundance of sound common sense, which is indispensable to one serving in public office, since it enables him to appraise conditions and more intelligently determine the solution of all problems.

There was something about him which drew men to him. His large and fine physique impressed you with his strength. His was a most pleasing personality. He possessed a keen sense of humor, but, best of all, he had a great heart, which beat in sympathy for the poor and oppressed, and his desire to alleviate human suffering and give equal opportunity to all was the controlling motive of his entire public service.

For 12 years he served as a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House, and at the time of his death was chairman of that important committee, and had been its chairman for 6 years.

He was vitally interested in maintaining peaceful relations between our country and the other countries of the world, and his hatred of war caused him to be exceedingly active in support of all legislation designed to prevent our involvement in foreign wars.

The various neutrality acts passed during recent years were sponsored by him, and while he was ill during the last session of Congress, when the present neutrality law was passed it was the outgrowth and development of legislation previously championed by him, and many provisions of the present neutrality law were largely reenactments of legislation which his leadership had made possible.

His legislative activities were not confined to international affairs, but he was active, not always in public debate, but in counsel and advice he wielded a tremendous influence in support of all legislation which he espoused.

During the more than 16 years that he labored here he has left his imprint upon the legislation of the Congress of the United States during that period, and contributed much toward the welfare of his country in serving it in one of the most critical and trying periods of its history.

SAM D. MCREYNOLDS is gone, but his spirit still lives, and a grateful people will long remember and revere him for his able and faithful service in their behalf, and his memory is forever enshrined in the hearts of his friends. I shall always think of him not as a judge, not as a legislator, not as one of the great leaders of the House, but as my friend, whom I loved and honored, and whose memory shall abide with me forever.

Remarks by Representative Bland

Of Virginia

Mr. BLAND. Mr. Speaker, I realize how absolutely impossible it is in this hour and at this time for me to add anything to the tributes which have been paid to SAM MCREYNOLDS. I do not wish the time to pass, however, without my tribute for myself and for every Member of the Virginia delegation in Congress to the splendid ability, the loyal service, and the continued friendship of SAM MCREYNOLDS.

Personally, I suppose he was as close to me as any Member of any Congress has ever been or ever will be. He visited my home at various times. I shared with him his hospitality and he mine. I learned to love him as a brother. For me his going has left a void that cannot be filled. He will be always missed.

In the trying period preceding the present disturbed condition throughout the world, his sound judgment, his complete comprehension of world affairs and our relation to them, his fine patriotism, his practical common sense, and his Christian loyalty served always to guide us well. Where he led we were glad to follow for we knew that with him there had been no hasty conclusion, but that there was invariably the most careful consideration of every angle of every problem before him. He was most valuable to the administration, to the Nation, and to his State. Eulogies cannot tell in full measure the story of his public life. His work here constitutes his finest memorial. Tennessee has lost a great representative, the Nation a patriot of the finest order, and every Member of this House a devoted friend.

In 21 years of service in this House I have seen many men of outstanding ability, of deep convictions, of unswerving honesty, and of sincere devotion to duty on both sides of the aisle come and go. Each has contributed much to the life of the

Nation and to the work of the men he has left behind. Since he came here no man has contributed more to the splendid achievements of this Chamber than SAM MCREYNOLDS, and in the days that are to come his fine example will be an inspiration. He has gone, but he still lives. Such as he can never die. We who knew him will ever feel the touch of a vanished hand. We will ever hear the sound of a voice that is still.

Remarks by Representative Jones

Of Texas

Mr. JONES of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I should like to say a word about SAM MCREYNOLDS, of Tennessee.

I shall not undertake to discuss his record of service in the House of Representatives, outstanding though it was. That will be done by others. I simply want to pay personal tribute to a man whom I knew and admired as an official and loved as a friend.

In all my years of service in the House of Representatives I have never known a man of finer pattern, nor have I known anyone whose character and ability I respected more. Then, too, I knew him as a friend, for whom I had a great personal affection. It seemed that almost everyone in the House felt the same way. Somehow it was always a joy to meet him and to receive his cordial greeting. His very character inspired confidence in everyone. I like to remember him for the bright, worth-while, sterling character that he was.

SAM MCREYNOLDS possessed a rare personal charm that is seldom found in one of his rugged strength of character. That combination would make him a noteworthy man in any company.

No one that I knew was more skilled in the art of legislative service. Artistry in the legislative branch is not built on ability alone. Integrity, loyalty, patriotism, love of country, tolerance, understanding, information, and many other qualities are a part of the make-up of a successful legislator.

A worth-while record is not built just on mechanical things. Behind the mechanical is the spiritual make-up that gives life to the worth-while things and gives understanding to the character and motives of men.

SAM MCREYNOLDS possessed these various qualities to a degree that few men possess them.

I should like to see him again.

Remarks by Representative Bulwinkle

Of North Carolina

Mr. BULWINKLE. Mr. Speaker, as chairman of the Committee on Memorials, under leave to extend my remarks in the Record, I include the following remarks by the Honorable Kenneth McKellar and a letter in memory of the late Honorable SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, a distinguished Member of the House of Representatives:

TRIBUTE BY SENATOR M'KELLAR

I first knew the Honorable SAM D. MCREYNOLDS when he was a circuit judge in Chattanooga, more than a quarter of a century ago.

He was handsome, courtly, affable, genial, and delightful then and remained all that and more until his death. He was always gracious and friendly to me. I did not serve in the House with him, as he came to that body after I was elected to the Senate, but from the beginning of his career in the House, in 1923, I knew him and his lovely wife very well. Immediately upon his becoming a Member of the United States House of Representatives he took a fine place in that body and became one of the outstanding Members.

Congressman MCREYNOLDS' service on the House Foreign Relations Committee gave him great prominence, and he made a number of trips to foreign lands, all of which broadened his experience and observation and gave him greater opportunity for serving his country.

During the Coolidge and Hoover administrations the Congressman did not have opportunity to show the real stuff of which he was made, but when President Roosevelt took office in 1933 he became one of the President's warmest supporters and was made chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee. As such he enjoyed the esteem and confidence of our great President, who repeatedly honored him.

In addition to the performance of his duties on the floor, Congressman MCREYNOLDS was ever ready to help his constituents, secured positions for many of them, and aided them in all their affairs in which the Federal Government was concerned. He was most attentive to the affairs of his district. He was unrelenting in his labor for the people of his district and enjoyed their fullest confidence and esteem, as his long career indicated.

Congressman McREYNOLDS' name was frequently mentioned for the position of United States Senator and at one time I am quite sure he could have become the nominee of his party, but he had become very much interested in foreign relations and did not wish to give up his chairmanship of that committee.

The home life of the Congressman was very beautiful. He and Mrs. McReynolds had but one daughter, whom he idolized, and she was lovely. I think I never knew a more charming family relationship than was his.

Personally, SAM McREYNOLDS was one of the most genial of men and was good company in the cloak room, in conference, at his home, and anywhere else. He loved people and rarely, if ever, spoke unkindly of anyone. His fine disposition made him a favorite with everyone who knew him. Congressman McREYNOLDS died full of honors, with his loved ones around him, and after a successful and splendid life.

Mr. BULWINKLE. Mr. Speaker, the passing of Judge McREYNOLDS was deeply felt by his colleagues in the House of Representatives, by those who knew him, and especially by his friends in Tennessee; and as a part of my remarks I shall quote the resolution adopted by the bar association of the city of Chattanooga on the 2d day of August 1939:

SAMUEL DAVIS M'REYNOLDS, APRIL 16, 1872–JULY 11, 1939

To the Chattanooga Bar Association:

Your memorial committee begs leave to submit to you for consideration and action thereon the following relating to the life and achievements of SAMUEL DAVIS McREYNOLDS, long on the membership roll of this bar, although for many years not an active practitioner, due to the fact that he had devoted the last 36 years of his life to public service.

SAMUEL DAVIS McREYNOLDS, generally called Judge McREYNOLDS, and by his intimate personal friends called SAM McREYNOLDS, was born on a farm April 16, 1872, in Bledsoe County, near Pikeville, Tenn. He was the son of Isaac S. and Addie Davis McReynolds.

He attended the Peoples College at Pikeville, Tenn., which was a denominational school, being supported by and under the auspices of the Southern Methodist Church. This college maintained primary grades, secondary, and higher grades of learning. He never attended any other college or school, except the law department of Cumberland University, at Lebanon, Tenn., from which he grad-

uated with the degree of doctor of laws with the class of 1893, at the age of 21.

Two of his classmates in the Peoples College at Pikeville were T. W. Stanfield and J. Lon Foust. The friendship and mutual admiration of these schoolboys deepened as the years passed without a ripple to mar this long, golden friendship. Mr. Stanfield successfully managed every political race for office made by Judge McREYNOLDS.

Soon after graduating from the Lebanon Law School, SAM McREYNOLDS was appointed assistant district attorney under Attorney General George W. Sutton of the sixth judicial circuit of Tennessee. When his tenure as assistant attorney general ended, he came to Chattanooga and entered the practice of law. Soon he entered into a law partnership with the late John H. Cantrell. This is the only law partnership that Judge McREYNOLDS ever entered into and ended in 1903, when he (McREYNOLDS) was appointed judge of the criminal court circuit comprising the counties of Hamilton, Sequatchie, Marion, and Franklin, which court was created by chapter 361 of the Acts of the State of Tennessee, passed by the fifty-third general assembly and approved April 15, 1903, by James B. Frazier, Governor. This appointment was until September 1, 1904, "and until his successor is elected and qualified." He succeeded himself in the successive elections until he was elected to Congress in 1922. He was elected to the Sixty-eighth, Sixty-ninth, Seventieth, Seventy-first, Seventy-second, Seventy-third, Seventy-fourth, Seventy-fifth, and Seventy-sixth Congresses.

Cordell Hull and SAM McREYNOLDS were coworkers and close friends in the Congresses, each watching after the political interests of the other. It was upon the advice of Hull that McREYNOLDS sought and was given an appointment to the Foreign Affairs Committee. He served faithfully and well as a member of that committee. In 1932, upon the death of Charles Linthicum of Maryland, McREYNOLDS was elevated to the chairmanship of said committee. As chairman of the committee he was in position to and did render great service to President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Hull in conducting important diplomatic foreign relationships. Because of his knowledge of foreign affairs, President Roosevelt appointed him a delegate to the International Monetary and Economic Conference held in London in June 1933.

Judge McREYNOLDS was an inveterate worker. His friends warned him that his health was being impaired and life threatened by his constant attention to his arduous responsibilities and admonished him to take it a little more easily; but his desire to serve

his constituency and his country drove him inexorably on. He was forced finally to enter a hospital but his condition grew worse, and on Tuesday morning, July 11, 1939, he died in Washington, D. C., survived by his widow, Mary McReynolds (nee Davenport), whom he married March 1, 1910, and a daughter, Margaret, now Mrs. Darrell St. Claire, to whom two daughters have been born.

Sam McReynolds achieved his distinction and political preferment through hard work and fidelity to duty. His was an aristocracy of service. He was a lifelong Democrat, but he served his constituency honestly, efficiently, and impartially, whether of his political faith or not. When appealed to for help in getting a job for an individual, or for legislation he felt was for the good of his people, or for appropriations for projects, worthy in his estimation, he did his very best to get what was wanted. He had the high virtue of following through, so often lacking in public servants, especially in the legislative branch of our Government. He was fair to every faction, true to every trust, faithful to every friend, and loyal to the last.

Therefore, premises considered, be it

Resolved by the Chattanooga Bar Association, That it, and each member thereof, has suffered an irreparable loss in the death of Samuel Davis McReynolds, which is shared in by all the people whom he served long and well: Be it further

Resolved, That the members, collectively and individually, of this association extend his widow, his child, and his grandchildren deep sympathy in their great bereavement; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this memorial be furnished to the family of deceased; also a copy be presented to each of the courts of Hamilton County and to the court of appeals and the supreme court at Knoxville, and to the Federal district court at Chattanooga; also to the Chattanooga press: Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Speaker of the House of Representatives with the request that the same be published in the Congressional Record.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. Wilkerson,
Chairman.
J. L. Levine,
Silas Williams,
Memorial Committee.

Remarks by Representative Rogers

Of Massachusetts

Mrs. ROGERS of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, many touching and eloquent tributes have been paid to the memory of the late SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, who was chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of this House, and I wish to speak of my own deep feeling of sorrow at the passing of this true friend. Those of us who served with him upon this great committee knew so well of his great devotion to the cause of peace, his untiring efforts to keep our country neutral in a world bent upon strife. A most unselfish man, he looked upon his congressional duties as a public trust. I shall always remember his patriotic, unselfish decision in declining to run for the United States Senate at the time the Committee on Foreign Affairs was considering neutrality legislation, and when his experience and leadership was so badly needed. It was typical of the man to sacrifice personal ambition to what he considered his duty. His passing was a great personal loss to all of us who knew him and worked with him. Our country can ill afford to lose the services of a man so fine and so patriotic as was Judge MCREYNOLDS.

Remarks by Representative Cartwright

Of Oklahoma

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I was born and reared, to the age of 12, in the third congressional district of Tennessee, represented for many years by the late Honorable SAMUEL D. MCREYNOLDS. The first Congressman I ever heard of was Congressman Moon from that district. My parents moved to the Indian Territory shortly before it blossomed into the State of Oklahoma, and when Oklahoma was divided into congressional districts I found myself in the Third District of Oklahoma. My grandparents, uncles, aunts, and cousins still live in the Third Tennessee District, which I visit often. Naturally, I have kept up with politics in that district, as well as in my own. I was pleased to see Judge MCREYNOLDS first elected to Congress years ago. His name already had been a household word with my relatives, who lived in his judicial district. Everybody had a profound respect for the judge, whether they agreed with him or not.

As I grew older in Oklahoma my ambition grew to be a Member of Congress also, and when I came here as a Member in 1927, Judge MCREYNOLDS was the first person I sought and asked for the advice which a new Congressman needs. The Judge, as he was affectionately known to all, very graciously gave me fatherly advice and a lot of form letters, which were very helpful to me. In 1935 we and our families journeyed to the Philippine Islands together and participated in the inauguration of Emanuel Quezon, the first President of the Philippine Republic. We became very well acquainted on that trip.

He became chairman of the important Committee on Foreign Affairs and an international figure. He was a very able representative, not only of his district, but of the United

States. He had the friendship of men, the respect of women, and the tender love of little children.

In saying farewell to my friend and colleague, I do so with the solemn faith of the immortality of the soul and the increasing hope and faith that we shall meet again.

The poet has well said:

> There is no death.
> The stars go down
> To shine upon some fairer shore,
> And there in Heaven's jeweled crown
> They shine forevermore.

Remarks by Representative Izac

Of California

Mr. IZAC. Mr. Speaker, my first assignment on coming to Congress was to a place on the Foreign Affairs Committee. There I found a chairman under whom I was to serve with a great deal of pleasure and benefit. Judge McREYNOLDS, as we called him, was at once a fine southern gentleman and a most able and aggressive statesman. In the conduct of his office he proved to be a strong right arm of the administration in its efforts to uphold the dignity and prestige of the United States in the family of nations.

SAM McREYNOLDS was a dominating character in the House of Representatives and one of democracy's most rugged fighters. Impatient with delay, intolerant of obstructive tactics, he never quibbled over nonessentials. He never temporized. He drove ahead with dogged determination to his objective. He was a most considerate chairman, and whenever some of his committee disagreed with his views on the legislation under consideration he insisted on granting a fair hearing with opportunity for the views of all to be recorded.

Our committee will miss SAM McREYNOLDS. The House of Representatives will miss his energetic leadership. But those who lose most are the people of this country now denied the benefit of his ability in the broad field of international relations.

Remarks by Representative Shanley

Of Connecticut

Mr. SHANLEY. Mr. Speaker, SAM MCREYNOLDS guided the destinies of the Committee on Foreign Affairs through its earliest neutrality days. Under his chairmanship the first so-called Neutrality Act of modern times was placed on the statute books. He had, of course, previously given his name to the famous Johnson-McReynolds Act—Public, No. 151, of the Seventy-third Congress. Today, and for some days to come, this Nation will be concerned over the prohibition of financial transaction with any foreign government in default on its obligation to the United States. The guide, however, is still this act.

SAM MCREYNOLDS saw with great clearness the dangers of unwise legislation, and in many ways he anticipated the thought of the President of the United States on the impossibility of foreseeing events to warrant a too straitjacketed neutrality.

SAM MCREYNOLDS loved peace, though no man could give more than he in the call to service, were it his duty. He was a fighter in every sense of the word, but he knew, too, that "peace hath her victories no less renowned than war."

In his own valley, in the heart of the district that he loved so well and for which he gave every ounce of his devotion and loyalty, there is a fitting public monument. It will stand forever—ineradicable, permanent, yet so useful and so gigantic it will tower above the countryside—man-made, a Congressman's dream fulfilled.

For us outside that district there will be a spiritual memory of a great American.

Remarks by Representative Reece

Of Tennessee

Mr. REECE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, if a growing boy, filled with visions of usefulness, were to come to me for advice, I would find it an easy task to give him a shining example whereby he could not fail.

I would say to him in all sincerity: "Go study the life, obstacles, devotions, principles, utterances, and achievements of SAMUEL DAVIS MCREYNOLDS.

"Emulate his patriotism; imitate, if you can, his tenderness and his fighting ability. Cling as steadfastly, tenaciously and courageously as he did to all the principles of decency, good government, and Christian ideals.

"Do that, my boy, and when you die men will long pause and remember, your friends will mourn, and your proud State will write your name in indelible ink across the pages of its history."

Mr. Speaker, Hawthorne's Stone Face imbued the boy Ernest to great usefulness and fame. Over the years other boys have been given noble impetus by like determination. Down in the hills of eastern Tennessee, however, our youth could seek far and wide ere they found a more noble, simple, yet greater pattern to be guided by than the life of our late friend and colleague.

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TUESDAY, *July 11, 1939.*

The Chaplain, Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., offered the following prayer:

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Blessed Lord and Savior, with bereaved and saddened hearts again we tarry in the valley. The shadows hang heavy. A brother, neighbor, friend, and statesman has passed through the gates, and we shall greet him in the Chamber no more. The yoke is so heavy; dear Lord, line it with Thy comfort and with the inspiration of Thy promise: "I will go with Thee all the way." Bend low, heavenly Father, above the afflicted hearthstone and give heavenly peace.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord; henceforth they rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

In the name of our Blessed Master and Saviour. Amen and amen.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair asks the indulgence of the House to make a short statement.

The Chair would much prefer that there be no proceedings today except with respect to the resolution relating to our late beloved colleague.

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, it is with very deep regret and a feeling of genuine sorrow that I announce that our genial friend, highly esteemed and distinguished colleague the gentleman from Tennessee, Hon. SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, passed away at his home in the city of Washington early this morning.

It has been the privilege of many of us to serve for many years with Mr. MCREYNOLDS and to know his great value. I am sure I voice the true sentiment and feeling of the membership when I say that we have sustained an irreparable loss in his passing.

Mr. MCREYNOLDS served with great credit and distinction on the bench in Tennessee for about 20 years and was elected to membership in this body in 1922 and served continuously from that time until today. For several years he served as chairman of the important Committee on Foreign Affairs. He was a man who possessed the highest attributes of character, and all of the sterling qualities of manhood. His native State of Tennessee, his great congressional district, and the Nation have sustained a great loss in his untimely death.

Mr. TAYLOR of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, while we of the Tennessee delegation have known for some time of the critical illness of our esteemed colleague, Representative MCREYNOLDS, and have kept ourselves daily advised of his condition with the deepest interest and solicitude, nevertheless his death came as a distinct shock to each of us. Judge MCREYNOLDS was not only popular with the Tennessee delegation, he was loved and respected by the entire membership of the House regardless of political alinement.

He was recognized as an able lawyer and a capable legislator.

As chairman of the great Foreign Relations Committee, he not only brought credit to himself but he also brought credit and distinction to his committee, of whose dignity and integrity he was scrupulously jealous and justly proud.

I first met our late colleague when he was judge of one of the circuit courts in Tennessee and since our first acquaintance we have been warm personal friends. In the campaign of 1936 an effort was made to have Representative McREYNOLDS come into my district and make speeches against me. This he emphatically refused to do, thus showing the appreciation he had for our cordial relationship. Judge McREYNOLDS, as he was familiary known, was a man of profound conviction and indomitable courage; while he was firm in his faith, he was always tolerant, considerate, and courteous.

SAM D. McREYNOLDS was a man of outstanding ability and in his death the State of Tennessee and the Nation have suffered an irreparable loss.

Mr. BLOOM. Mr. Speaker, the Foreign Affairs Committee this morning met and adopted the following resolution:

The Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives learns with profound sorrow of the death of its beloved chairman, the Honorable SAM D. McREYNOLDS, of Tennessee. It is shocked with the thought of the loss that this Nation faces in the passing of a man whose largeness of heart and mind has helped shape the legislation of the last decade to preserve the historic traditions of our country.

Its membership, regardless of political affiliation, held him in affectionate esteem, and feel that in his death we have experienced a personal grief, and his district and the Nation have suffered the loss of an able, patriotic, and unselfish public servant.

Mr. LUTHER A. JOHNSON. Mr. Speaker, there are times when we cannot express in language our feelings. Such time as that confronts me now when I consider the loss of one of the best friends I ever had. I was elected to Congress at

the same time as Judge McREYNOLDS, and during the 16 years of my service in this House the gentleman from Tennessee [Mr. McREYNOLDS] and I were the warmest and closest personal friends.

He was my conception of a real man, a typical American. He was brave. He was courageous. He was candid. He was fair. His heart beat in sympathy with humanity, and in his long service here there is no man who has exerted a more potent influence on legislation in this House, and no man who will be remembered longer and revered with more affection than the distinguished gentleman, the announcement of whose passing has just been made.

Mr. SABATH. Mr. Speaker, during my many years in this House I served with outstanding men, but I cannot recollect a single Member with whom I served during these many years for whom I had greater respect and admiration for his patriotism, loyalty, courage, and devotion to the country and to duty than the gentleman from Tennessee [Mr. McREYNOLDS]. He indeed was a real southern gentleman for all that that term implies.

It was my good fortune to be closely associated with him especially during 1932 and 1933. At that time the great State of Tennessee that has given to the country so many statesmen had an outstanding Member of this House who was a candidate for the Speakership, but the gentleman whose passing we mourn today withdrew as a candidate and supported Mr. Rainey, of Illinois.

I know there was not a prouder man in this House than Mr. McREYNOLDS when Joseph Byrns, of Tennessee, was elected Speaker of this House upon the passing of Mr. Rainey, of Illinois. Mr. McREYNOLDS was a strong man. He had strong views. He was a real courageous fighter for what he believed was right.

In the passing of this splendid gentleman not only does Tennessee lose a great citizen but the entire United States loses a statesman and an outstanding man. I wish I pos-

sessed the words with which I at this time could express my innermost feelings for the loss of this great friend of mine, this great legislator, and this great citizen.

Mr. FISH. Mr. Speaker, it was my privilege and honor to have served with the gentleman from Tennessee [Mr. McREYNOLDS] on the Committee on Foreign Affairs for some 16 years. He was an able and distinguished Member of this House, learned in the law, and gave his entire time to the study of international problems. He was one of the most outstanding chairmen of any committee in the House and carried on with distinction the traditions of previous great chairmen of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. He was always fair, courteous, and cooperative with the members of that committee. Due to his long friendship with the Secretary of State, Mr. Hull, of the State of Tennessee, he was able to bring to that committee additional information which was helpful in all of our deliberations. He was a man of strong convictions and I believe if he had been here during the recent fight in the House of Representatives on neutrality, he would have led that fight on the other side with ability and distinction because of his knowledge of international issues and of international law.

He will be mourned equally on this side as on the Democratic side because he made a host of friends wherever he went. Mr. Speaker, SAM McREYNOLDS was a credit to the Democratic Party, which he represented so ably for many years in Congress, he was a credit to the great State of Tennessee and to our country, because Judge McREYNOLDS was a fine, high type public servant and a great American citizen.

Mr. EATON of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, as we stand once more face to face with the eternal mystery, words fail us. I can only speak of him as a dear friend. I loved him. He loved me. We were companions for 15 years on that great committee; and during all of that time, although we bore different political labels, we were one in heart and purpose.

The test of a man's greatness is the inspiration which flows from his life and character to other men to be real men. Under that test SAM MCREYNOLDS was great. He was a real man. I cherish his memory; so do you who served with him here through the long years.

May he rest in peace in the arms of God.

Mr. SHANLEY. Mr. Speaker, few men in our history have exercised the salutary control and guidance over foreign affairs that our superbly equipped late colleague exhibited in his 9 years of committee chairmanship. He acted as a liaison between our equally great State Department and its beloved head, Cordell Hull, and this body of legislators. SAM MCREYNOLDS never surrendered the dignity or the prerogatives of his committee or this House, yet SAM MCREYNOLDS never failed to understand the problems of his very great personal and political friend the distinguished Secretary of State. From that loyalty to the House of Representatives and that admiration of his fellow Tennesseean came a robust, clear-cut picture of foreign affairs that made his handling of his duties a delight and an inspiration.

> Through such souls alone
> God stooping shows sufficient of His light
> For us in the dark to rise by.

An American at all times not purblind or jingoist but an American of whom it might well be said in love of country, "His country at all times; his country, if right to keep it right; if wrong, to set it right."

Mr. PEARSON. Mr. Speaker, in the city of Atlanta there stands a monument erected to a great statesman by the name of Benjamin Hill. Inscribed upon that monument are these words:

> He who saves his country saves all things,
> And all things saved will bless him.
> He who lets his country die, lets all things die,
> And all things dying curse him.

A beautiful tribute to his efforts to protect and save his native land; and I think it is applicable to the life of the great citizen of my State who has passed from his active field of endeavors and whose passing we mourn today. He sought to save his country by preserving inviolate those fundamental principles which guarantee to American citizens peace, happiness, and freedom. History will bless him for it.

I had never had the privilege of knowing Judge McREYNOLDS until I became a Member of this body some 5 years ago. Upon my arrival here as a freshman, inexperienced, the first man to take me in and offer words of friendly advice and counsel in an effort to help me start out in the right direction was my friend Judge McREYNOLDS. From that time on I considered him one of the best friends I had in this group, one interested in my welfare not only as a Member of this body but as a member of the delegation from the great State which he had the honor of representing in part.

Judge McREYNOLDS was a man who led an exemplary life in every sense of the word. He was not only a faithful, honorable, and courageous public servant but in his private and in his domestic life he leaves an example to all men which I deem unexcelled. He was a true patriot and a faithful servant, faithful to every trust pledged to his keeping. I think we do well today to pay honor and tribute to a man who throughout the years of his life and public service brought nothing but honor and glory to his name, to his State, and to his Nation.

Mr. LANHAM. Mr. Speaker, in the language of one of our American poets, "I would that my tongue could utter the thoughts that arise in me." At such a time there are no words to express the emotions of the heart. If they could be spoken, they would give tender solace to all bereaved by the passing of this genial friend and able statesman.

May I accentuate the thought that there can be parting from but no permanent loss of a good man. Benjamin Franklin once wrote an epitaph for himself, as follows:

The body of Benjamin Franklin, printer, like the cover of an old book, its contents torn out and stripped of its lettering and gilding, lies here, food for worms; but the work itself will not be lost, for it will, as he believed, appear once more in a new and more beautiful edition, corrected and amended by the Author.

So, in our sorrow, in contemplation of the Christian life our distinguished friend lived and the Christian virtues he exemplified, we may be comforted by the hope, the promise, and the assurance that we shall meet again.

Mr. DOUGHTON. Mr. Speaker, perhaps the greatest compensation that comes to a Member of this House is the delightful friendships and fellowships he forms during the period he is permitted to serve as a Member of Congress. I recall very vividly and shall ever remember with greatest pleasure my service in this House with Judge McREYNOLDS. No truer friend anyone ever possessed than SAM McREYNOLDS. He was not only true to his friends but he was, above all, true to his family. He was one of the most devoted and lovable men in his family life I have ever known, not only to his friends and his family but to his country and to his divine Creator.

I have never known a man in this House who brought to the discharge of his duties greater all-around qualifications of mind and heart than Judge McREYNOLDS. I am sure that not only his district and his native State but the entire country have suffered a very, very great loss in his passing. It will be a long, long time—the fact is, none of us will ever have the privilege of serving in this House with a man more worthy, more capable, and more faithful, and who is in every sense of the word a more true representative of his people, than was Judge McREYNOLDS.

To me his passing is one of the greatest losses I have suffered, and I have lost many friends since I have been here. On a trip with him to the Orient I was in his company a great deal, and I never heard him make a remark or utter a single word in disparagement or criticism or derogation of his colleagues. He always spoke of them in the highest

terms. He was in the highest sense a true American, a true patriot, and a true, devoted, faithful, capable, and loyal representative of his people. My deepest sympathy is extended to each member of his family.

Mr. BEAM. Mr. Speaker, Shakespeare once said:

> Friends thou hast, and their adoption tried,
> Grapple them to thy soul with hooks of steel.

When I first came to the Congress of the United States in 1930 one of the first Members with whom I became acquainted was the gentleman from Tennessee whose demise we mourn today. His kindness of heart, his magnanimity of soul, his sterling qualities, and his good fellowship impressed, I am sure, every person who was privileged to know him. He was a noble man, an orator of distinction, and a stanch Democrat; but his democracy was not parochial, and on questions of vital concernment affecting the welfare of the Nation his Americanism overshadowed any partisanship which he may have entertained. He was a great legislator, an astute parliamentarian, and a man of quality. He was a son whose passing the State of Tennessee mourns today, and whose loss will be felt throughout the length and breadth of our Nation.

An occasion such as the death of one whom we revere has a tendency to mellow us, to render us more conscious of our own frailties, of our human weaknesses, and of our own mortality. It has a strong impelling force to draw us a little closer in the brotherhood of man and causes us to harbor in our hearts a more sympathetic understanding of our fellow beings:

We often in our desire and ambition to achieve legislative conquests perhaps become a little overzealous in our endeavors or a little overimpressed with our own significance and of our own importance.

But what a lesson we learn today by the passing of our endeared colleague, and what a realization we can derive of what a humble and infinitesimal part we play in this crucible of life and in the great drama of American politics.

I join the Tennessee delegation in their sorrow, and I also desire to extend my heartfelt sympathy and condolence to the bereaved family of our beloved colleague.

America has lost a noble son, a stanch patriot, and an outstanding citizen.

Mr. CHANDLER. Mr. Speaker, we are all bowed in grief today over the passing of this loved colleague of ours from Tennessee, and as one who felt his inspiration and received his friendly recognition I wish sorrowfully to pay this tribute to him.

Bearing the name of Sam Davis, Tennessee's soldier boy hero who gave his life rather than reveal the secrets entrusted to him or prove unworthy of his Confederate uniform, SAM MCREYNOLDS throughout his own life exemplified the qualities of Sam Davis. He was of heroic mold. He was true to his trusts. Coming from the soil of Tennessee, he was rugged in his honesty, he never forgot the common touch, and he had the courage of a lion.

Throughout his life Judge MCREYNOLDS lived in peace and harmony with his neighbors, and when he came to the House of Representatives and took up his part of the work of the Foreign Affairs Committee, that was the thought which was uppermost in his mind—he wanted to live in peace and harmony with the neighbors of this land of ours. Yes; he loved peace, but he was one of those intrepid souls who loved righteousness more than peace, and he never ceased to be a fighter for both causes.

He was admired by the people in all parts of the State of Tennessee. They wanted to give him added honors, but he was unwilling to leave this body, where he seemed to be a part of the fabric and spirit of the House.

SAM DAVIS MCREYNOLDS was a stanch friend, a loyal Tennesseean, a real American, a great statesman.

While we would not have it so, "Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away," and SAM MCREYNOLDS goes back to the everlasting mountains which he loved, with the

affection and esteem of his colleagues and the gratitude of a great Nation.

Mr. JOHNS. Mr. Speaker, there came to me this morning this sorrow which it has been very hard for me to bear, because as a young man out of college I started the practice of law at Chattanooga, Tenn., when Judge McREYNOLDS had just been elected to the bench. He was then a man of about 32 years of age, one of the youngest men who ever went on the bench in Tennessee. If there was ever a young lawyer who ever had a better friend in this world than Judge McREYNOLDS, I do not know who he was. I grew to love him, and the more I knew of him the more I admired him, and as a young man, no judge who ever sat on the bench had a greater sense of justice than Judge McREYNOLDS. I watched his career as young men watch those whom they admire, and I was most interested, of course, when he was elected to Congress. I followed him here to the Congress and saw him elevated to the most powerful committee, in my opinion, here in the House. I have known him all these years and our friendship has grown greater during all this time. I do not believe there is anyone who could pass out of my life that would bring me greater sorrow than the death of my good and great friend, Judge McREYNOLDS.

Mr. BYRNS of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, this is a particularly sad day for me. A little over 3 years ago Judge McREYNOLDS rose in the same place in which I stand now and announced to this body the death of my father. At that time I did not dream that 3 years later I would stand here and make my maiden speech on such a heartbreaking subject. One of the last public addresses that Judge McREYNOLDS made was in my own district in the general election last fall. He came there and made this talk, I found later, at the risk of great physical injury to himself. We did not know then that he was not well because he gave the appearance of vigor and exuberance and the same kindliness shown from his eyes

that those of us who had known him for years had grown accustomed to see.

Man proposes but God disposes; and twice in a few short months the dread black camel has knelt at the door of the Tennessee delegation.

Mr. Speaker, in the death of Judge McREYNOLDS Tennessee has lost a distinguished son, the Nation a statesman of the first order, and I a personal friend of more than 20 years' standing. There is so little that can be said on an occasion like this that will mean anything, but I, having been closer to such a tragedy than perhaps most of you, fully realize just what this occasion means to those of his family who are left behind. I wish to say this, a word of comfort to them, that one who was as fine in life as was SAM McREYNOLDS can be no less glorious in death. I like to think that those of us who are here below have the guidance of those great men who have gone on, those distinguished men of history and of recent times. I like to think that somewhere, somehow, they are looking down upon us today, and in some way in which you and I may not now fathom are directing our footsteps in the collective way in which we as Americans should travel. This is a thought I like to dwell upon, and I like to leave with all of you. I feel that I can close these few remarks no more fittingly, no more sincerely, than to say what Judge McREYNOLDS said when he closed his remarks announcing the death of my father, that my heart is too full of emotion, and I can say no more.

Mr. MARTIN J. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to speak on another phase of the life of Judge McREYNOLDS, and that is as a student. When I came to Congress in the Seventy-first Congress the Democrats were in the minority. Shortly thereafter, the Democrats took control of the House, and SAM McREYNOLDS became chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. He assumed this new honor with great dignity and humility. During the time that he was chairman of that committee he was a close student of our domestic

affairs as well as our international relations. He was a pacifist in the sense that he loved people, was a philosopher, and hated the thought of war. It was my good fortune to discuss with him on many occasions the problems that came before his committee. Knowing that I came from New York, where we have more than 7,000,000 people, many of foreign extraction, he often asked my opinion as to the attitude of our foreign-born citizens on legislation concerning their mother countries. I was flattered by his confidence, and I was happy to obtain information for him, which he always graciously accepted. There is still another contribution which he made to the Congress that I consider important. That is his contribution to the literature of the House as contained in the scholarly reports he made to this House. I think we might very well read these reports, for in these documents we will find reflected the views of a statesman untarnished by international influences. Frequently committee reports are dull and routine. But this was not true while Judge McREYNOLDS was chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. His reports always contained valuable information representing long and careful study.

In paying tribute today to my friend Judge McREYNOLDS I concur with all of the lovely sentiments that have been expressed by my colleagues, and, representing as I do, the great city and State of New York, I, too, wish to express the great sadness of my people at his passing.

Mr. HOBBS. Mr. Speaker, as that great river which bears the name of the proud State that today mourns the loss of one of her distinguished sons wends its happy way to mingle its waters with the other tributaries of the mighty Mississippi, it is unable to restrain itself from paying a visit to Alabama, coming down out of its way to bring us the blessings it gives its own State and to caress a favored part of our fair land in its sinuous embrace.

This is typical of the relationship between Tennessee and Alabama as exemplified by the lives of their citizens. We not

only live next door to each other, but we live as neighbors should live, in mutual admiration, confidence, and love. We have that heartfelt devotion for each other which neighbors come to feel for good neighbors. We Alabamians always glory in the achievements of Tennessee, and it is a noteworthy achievement to have produced a man like SAM MCREYNOLDS.

Eulogies may depict a career and record many of the heights attained by those eulogized. The splendid extemporaneous utterances from this floor today have done this well. But though every tribute has sounded the note of personal bereavement, the depth of that feeling cannot be plumbed by mere words. No eulogy can express the sorrow of our hearts because our friend has passed from this scene of his labors.

This great man, citizen, lawyer, jurist, statesman, gracious gentleman, patriot, "a man foursquare withouten flaw ywrought," Tennessee may well mourn, and so should the Nation. But it is as husband, father, friend, that his loss gives greatest grief. Today, as the throbbing heart of this House lays itself bare and bleeding in grief too deep for words, we do ourselves honor. Our profound sympathy goes out to his bereaved family and to the great State which rightly mourns her irreparable loss. A mighty warrior in the cause of liberty, justice, humanity has fallen. May God rest his soul, and may that proud mother of great men, his native State, continue to send to national councils other leaders of his inspiring kind, for God knows this Nation and the world needs more men like Judge MCREYNOLDS.

Mr. MCCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, there is very little that I can add to what has already been said, but I want to briefly express the voice of the New England delegation in this body, and I know I will bespeak the thoughts of my colleagues on the Republican side as well as my colleagues on the Democratic side.

I agree with what the gentleman from Tennessee [Mr. Byrns] has well said—that "it is not so much what we say on this occasion as what we think." Our thoughts of this

great man as we knew him, the great speeches he made, and the battles he conducted on the floor of this House in the causes that he believed in; of our thoughts of him as he went down this very aisle to my left and down the center aisle; of our personal contacts with him in this body; of our thoughts of him as the chairman of the important Committee on Foreign Affairs; of our thoughts of him as a great American. But uppermost in my mind, in addition to what has heretofore been so ably said, there will be one thought of Judge McREYNOLDS that will always remain with me, and in or out of this body will always be an example to and a guide for me. Judge McREYNOLDS as a legislator and in his individual capacity was a symbol of the unity of the Union. To SAM McREYNOLDS public questions did not appear from the angle of the best interests of the South, the North, the East, or the West alone. He viewed all public questions from the broad angle of what was for the best interest of the people of the United States. He was not a sectionalist. He was not a man who appealed to emotional reactions, to group or racial action. He personified the highest ideals of tolerance and of understanding, and what the meaning of the unity of our Nation is, and the necessity of that unity, not only for today but for tomorrow, in order that we of this generation and those of future generations might carry on that which we inherited—the duty to preserve the fundamental law of our country and of our ideals, and improve upon its structure in the service and best interests of this and of future generations.

That is the lesson that I have learned from my associations with SAM McREYNOLDS. That is the paramount impression that is indelibly imprinted upon my mind and which will always be an example to me and a guide for me of the meaning and the significance of the unity of the 48 States which comprise our great Union, and of the relationship of the Federal Government to the State governments, and the State governments to the Federal Government.

A poet once well said:

Not a soul beneath the sun
But what is precious unto one.

The memory of SAM MCREYNOLDS will always be precious to everyone who knew him, to everyone who came in contact with him.

After our days are over here and the page of public life in our book of life is turned over, and if we are blessed by our maker with living to a ripe old age, I doubt if you or I will be thinking of some great speech we made. I doubt if you or I will be thinking of some important bill that we may have introduced which became law and for which we fought for the passage. I think, if we live to that age when we be thinking of yesterday, we will be thinking of the friends we made. I know that, speaking for myself, one of those real friendships I have made that I will think of is that of SAM MCREYNOLDS, of the great man he was, of the great contributions he made, and of the profound impressions he made upon my mind.

The loss of Judge MCREYNOLDS is not a personal one to the State of Tennessee alone; it is a personal loss to the entire Nation.

Mr. PATRICK. Mr. Speaker, the quality I remember most tenderly in Judge MCREYNOLDS was the gentleness of his nature and his disposition toward a feeling of sentiment rather than filling his whole life merely with workaday world matter. I have felt that as many opportunities arose to discuss things with him when I first came here, and I know many other beginners as Congressmen had the same experience in their early days in this body.

The gentleness of that soul! His life suggests the thought contained in a poem written by Moschus, a Greek poet who lived four or five hundred years before Christ:

I would that my father had taught me his creed,
The creed of the keepers of sheep;
Taught me his creed as he taught me his craft
As we sat with the flocks on the steep,
As we sat with our flocks neath the yew trees,

He piping his troubles to sleep,
Piping on reeds I had sat on,
Piping his sorrows to sleep.
O that my father had taught me his creed,
The creed of the keepers of sheep.

Mr. MARTIN of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, it was with great regret I learned this morning of the death of my good friend of many years, SAM MCREYNOLDS.

Fifteen years ago, when I was first elected to Congress, I was assigned on the same day he was to the great Committee on Foreign Affairs. Then started a friendship which has extended through the years, growing riper and stronger with each passing day. During my service on the committee I came to admire SAM MCREYNOLDS, to appreciate his fine character, his great ability, his judicial mind, his absolute fairness, and his great love of country.

This House has lost one of its most valuable Members at a time when, with confusion and fears abroad in the world, it could ill-afford to lose him. We naturally feel great sorrow at his death, yet with sorrow comes the great consolation—that he lived a fine life; that he contributed to the upbuilding of his country; and his memory will ever burn brightly among his host of friends.

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. Speaker, someone has well said that "He that hath one steadfast friend may count himself well blessed." Seven years ago, when I came to Congress, it was my good fortune to meet at this door here on the very first day of the session SAM MCREYNOLDS. He escorted me to that seat right there; and then it was good fortune for me and my family to move into the Methodist Building where Mr. MCREYNOLDS and his family lived up until about a year ago. Of all those who gave me an inspiration to serve my country the best I could as a Member of this House, SAM MCREYNOLDS perhaps tops the list. I believe I voice the sentiment of all those with whom I have spoken in the last few minutes when I say that Tennessee lost a great statesman, a Christian gentleman, and a true patriot; and the Nation has lost

a loyal soul who stood for justice in every avenue of life. I feel that I speak the sentiment of the members of the Pennsylvania delegation when I say that our hope is that another son of that great State, of a caliber of Mr. McREYNOLDS, may fill his place.

Mr. RANKIN. Mr. Speaker, there is nothing I can add to what has been said by the friends of our departed colleague, SAM McREYNOLDS. Mississippi joins Tennessee today in mourning the passing of this great man whose influence will be felt in that area as long as the Tennessee River bears its tributes to the sea.

For more than 10 years he fought with me for the Tennessee Valley Authority, which I regard as the greatest development of ancient or modern times.

A prince once said of a king struck down:
"Taller he seems in death."
And the word holds good, for now, as then,
It is after death that we measure men.

The time has come to measure the life and character of SAM McREYNOLDS by those standards of Americanism, those standards of Christianity, those standards of morality, those standards of statesmanship and patriotism by which he lived and which should guide the lives of all men who are engaged in shaping the destiny of this Republic.

Someone said:

A fire-mist and a planet,
A crystal and a cell;
A jellyfish and a saurian,
And caves where the cavemen dwell;
Then a sense of law and beauty,
And a face turned from the clod—
Some call it Evolution,
And others call it God.

SAM McREYNOLDS called it God. He was a Christian, without any hypocrisy. He had none of that atheistic taint in his system that is today poisoning the life stream of our civilization. He believed in those fundamental principles upon which our Christian civilization is built.

He believed in the fundamental principles of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States. He was not affected with any of that totalitarian attitude that denies the proposition that "government derives its just powers from the consent of the governed." He was not poisoned with any of that communistic nonsense that denies the existence of a Supreme Being or that repudiates those fundamental principles upon which our civilization is based and upon which it will forever stand, if it is to continue to bless mankind throughout the centuries to come. He believed in those great principles that actuated men like Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Lincoln, Lee, Davis, and the other immortal leaders whose names adorn and enrich the pages of American history.

In this age when we are threatened on the one hand by the stagnating influences of totalitarianism and on the other hand by the dry rot of communism that would destroy the last vestige of the Christian civilization in which we believe, we need more men like SAM MCREYNOLDS to guide the destinies of this Nation. God, give us more such men, "men whom the lust of office does not kill; men whom the spoils of office cannot buy."

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I cannot allow this moment to pass without a word. It was my privilege to know intimately and to be associated with Mr. MCREYNOLDS since he first came to the House of Representatives. Having myself been born in the mountain regions of Tennessee in the district now represented by the gentleman from Tennessee [Mr. Taylor, only a few miles from the home and birthplace of Mr. MCREYNOLDS, I know those hills, I know the sod, I know the soil and the mountains of east Tennessee. I know the kind of stuff that the men were made of who stayed in east Tennessee and converted those primitive mountains into a wonderful land of homes, schools, and churches.

No one better typified that great section of our country than did SAM MCREYNOLDS. May I at the hazard of reitera-

tion say that especially in this hour of the Nation's hysteria, in this hour of world hysteria with its problems, its hates, its divisions, at no time in my opinion could we have so ill-afforded to have lost a man of SAM MCREYNOLDS' stature, character, mind, and heart. All the world that knew him can stand up and say, "Here was a man."

He was my friend, tried and true. I loved him. I shall miss him and I hope that what still survives of him "out there" somewhere will hear me say: "Old friend, fine friend, hail and farewell."

Mr. BLAND. Mr. Speaker, I realize how absolutely impossible in this hour and at this time it is for me to add anything to the tributes which have been paid to SAM MCREYNOLDS. I do not wish the time to pass, however, without the testimony not only of myself but on behalf of every Member of the Virginia delegation in Congress of the splendid ability, the loyal service, and the continued friendship of SAM MCREYNOLDS.

Personally, I suppose he was as close to me as any Member of any Congress has been to me. Having visited my home many times I shared with him his hospitality. His going will be missed.

In 21 years of service in this House I have seen many men of outstanding ability, of deep convictions, of honest patriotism, and sincere devotion on both sides of the aisle come and go. Each has contributed much to the life and to the work of the men he has left behind. No man will have contributed more to the work of this Chamber in the days that are to come than SAM MCREYNOLDS by his fine example, by his splendid service, by his genial comradeship, and by his unswerving and unwavering devotion to duty. He has gone, but we will ever feel the touch of a vanished hand and will ever hear the sound of a voice that is stilled.

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution, which I send to the Clerk's desk.

The Clerk read (H. Res. 254) as follows:

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, a Representative from the State of Tennessee.

Resolved, That a committee of 15 Members of the House with such Members of the Senate as may be joined be appointed to attend the funeral.

Resolved, That the Sergeant at Arms of the House be authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of these resolutions and that the necessary expenses in connection therewith be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

The resolution was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Rayburn). The Chair may state the Speaker will arrive in town this afternoon, and tomorrow he will appoint the committee.

The Clerk will report the further resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect the House do now adjourn.

The resolution was agreed to.

Accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 18 minutes p. m.) the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, July 12, 1939, at 12 o'clock noon.

WEDNESDAY, *July 12, 1939.*

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Frazier, its legislative clerk, announced that the Senate had adopted the following resolution:

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,
July 11 (legislative day, July 10), 1939.

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow the announcement of the death of Hon. SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, late a Representative from the State of Tennessee.

Resolved, That a committee of six Senators be appointed by the Presiding Officer to join the committee appointed on the part of the House of Representatives to attend the funeral of the deceased Representative.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Representative the Senate do now take a recess until 12 o'clock meridian tomorrow.

The message also announced that pursuant to the foregoing resolution the Presiding Officer had appointed Mr. McKellar, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Connally, Mr. Russell, Mr. Burke, and Mr. Miller as members of said committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr. THOMASON. Mr. Speaker, I was called from the floor yesterday while resolutions were being passed and tribute paid to our late colleague, Judge SAM MCREYNOLDS, of Tennessee. I want the RECORD also to show the great personal loss I feel on account of his death. He was one of my most intimate and highly valued friends. Being a native son of Tennessee myself, I came to know him shortly after I entered this body. He showed me many courtesies, but our acquaintance for a few years was slightly more than casual. After our trip to the inauguration of the Philippine Government that friendship ripened into an intimate one not only for us but for our wives. I have never known a more honorable or dependable man. It could be truly said of him that his word was as good as his bond. He had his convictions on all personal and political questions and was willing to defend them. He was a fair but hard fighter for the things in which he believed. His influence was felt on great national and international questions. In addition to his fine legal ability and his great judicial and legislative mind he had character of the highest order. I shall miss him more than I know how to express. I am sure his devoted wife and daughter have the sympathy of every Member of this House.

SAMUEL DAVIS McREYNOLDS

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to House Resolution 254, the Chair appoints the following Members as a committee to attend the funeral of the late SAM D. MCREYNOLDS: Mr. Cooper, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Byrns of Tennessee, Mr. Gore, Mr. Courtney, Mr. Bland, Mr. Bloom, Mr. Luther A. Johnson, Mr. Thomason, Mr. Richards, Mr. Shanley, Mr. Taylor of Tennessee, Mr. Plumley, and Mr. Stearns of New Hampshire.

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TUESDAY, *July 11, 1939.*

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Chaffee, one of its reading clerks, communicated to the Senate the intelligence of the death of Hon. SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, late a Representative from the State of Tennessee, and transmitted the resolutions to the House thereon.

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution of the House of Representatives (H. Res. 254) adopted on the occasion of the death of Hon. SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, late a Representative from the State of Tennessee, which was read, as follows:

IN THE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES,
July 11, 1939.

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, a Representative from the State of Tennessee.

Resolved, That a committee of 15 Members of the House with such Members of the Senate as may be joined be appointed to attend the funeral.

Resolved, That the Sergeant at Arms of the House be authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary for carrying out the provision of these resolutions and that the necessary expenses in connection therewith be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect the House do now adjourn.

Mr. MCKELLAR. Mr. President, I submit a resolution which I send to the desk, and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The resolution will be read.

The resolution (S. Res. 159) was read, considered by unanimous consent, and unanimously agreed to, as follows:

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow the announcement of the death of Hon. SAM D. MCREYNOLDS, late a Representative from the State of Tennessee.

Resolved, That a committee of six Senators be appointed by the Presiding Officer to join the committee appointed on the part of the House of Representatives to attend the funeral of the deceased Representative.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Under the second resolving clause of the resolution, the Presiding Officer appointed Mr. McKellar, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Connally, Mr. Russell, Mr. Burke, and Mr. Miller, the committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr. McKELLAR. Mr President, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late distinguished Representative from my State, I move that the Senate now take a recess until 12 o'clock noon tomorrow.

The motion was unanimously agreed to; and (at 5 o'clock and 10 minutes p. m.) the Senate took a recess until tomorrow, Wednesday, July 12, 1939, at 12 o'clock meridian.

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